AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-7. (Cancelled)

8. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 12, additionally comprising reversing a database update in the event of an indication of an error during the process of updating the server.

9. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 12, additionally comprising suspending a database update for a predefined period.

10-11. (Cancelled)

12. (Previously Presented) A method of synchronizing configuration parameters on a server with a database of stored configuration parameters comprising:

automatically updating at least one application program configuration parameter on the server in response to receiving an update of at least one corresponding stored application configuration parameter in said database, the update initiated by a particular customer of a web hosting provider,

wherein each application program configuration parameter defines at least in part a quantity of a resource on the server available to the particular customer of a web hosting provider.

13. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 12, wherein the quantity of the resource comprises an amount of disk space.

14. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 12, wherein the quantity of the resource comprises a network address.

15. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 12, wherein the quantity of the resource comprises an amount of memory space.

16-17. (Cancelled)

18. (Currently Amended) An information processing system comprising:

at least one network server running at least one application program, wherein application program operation is defined at least in part by a set of configuration parameters stored on said at least one network server and associated with said application program operation;

a database separate from said at least one network server and storing said set of configuration parameters; and

a processor executing instructions to automatically maintain synchronization between said set of configuration parameters stored on said at least one network server and said set of configuration parameters stored in said database, wherein the server is operated by a [[web-]] web hosting provider and wherein each application program configuration parameter defines at least in part a quantity of a resource on the network server available to a particular customer of the web hosting provider.

19-21. (Cancelled)

22. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 18, wherein the quantity of the resource comprises an amount of communication bandwidth.

23. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 18, wherein the quantity of the resource comprises an amount of processor capacity.

24-25. (Cancelled)

26. (Previously Presented) An information processing system comprising:

at least one network server running at least one application program, wherein application program operation is defined at least in part by a set of configuration parameters stored on said at least one network server and associated with said application program operation;

a database separate from said at least one network server and storing said set of configuration parameters; and

a processor executing instructions to automatically maintain synchronization between said set of configuration parameters stored on said at least one network server and said set of configuration parameters stored in said database, wherein each application program configuration parameter defines at least in part a quantity of a resource on the network server that are made available to a particular user of the network server.

27. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 26, wherein the server is operated by a [[web-]] web hosting provider and each application program configuration parameter defines at least in part a quantity of a resource on the server that [[are]] is made available to a particular customer of the web hosting provider.

28. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 26, wherein the quantity of the resource comprises an amount of disk space.

29. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 26, wherein the quantity of the resource comprises an amount of a network address.

30. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 26, wherein the quantity of the resource comprises an amount of memory space.

31. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 26, wherein the quantity of the resource comprises an amount of communication bandwidth.

32. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 26, wherein the quantity of the resource comprises an amount of processor capacity.

33. (Previously Presented) A method of synchronizing configuration parameters on a server with a database of stored configuration parameters that is separate from the network server, the method comprising:

automatically updating an application program configuration parameter on the server in response to an update of a corresponding stored application configuration parameter in said database by a particular user of the server,

wherein the application program configuration parameter defines a quantity of a resource on the server that is available to the particular user of the server.

34. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 33, wherein the server is operated by a [[web-]] web hosting provider and the quantity of the resource is made available to a particular customer of the web hosting provider.

35. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 33, wherein the resource comprises at least one of disk space, a network address, memory space, communication bandwidth, or processor capacity.

36. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 33, wherein the automatically updating further comprises:

updating the corresponding stored application configuration parameter in said database in response to a request from the particular user;

triggering a daemon to run on the server, wherein the triggering is responsive to the updating the corresponding stored application configuration parameter in said database.

37. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 33, wherein the automatically updating further comprises:

receiving a request, from the particular user, for an update to the corresponding stored application configuration parameter in said database;

updating the corresponding stored application configuration parameter in said database, responsive to the receiving;

triggering a daemon to run on the server, wherein the triggering is responsive to the updating the corresponding stored application configuration parameter in said database.

38. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 33, wherein the automatically updating further comprises:

receiving a selection, from the particular user, of the corresponding stored application configuration parameter in said database, from one of a plurality of stored application configuration parameters;

receiving a request, from the particular user, for an update to the selected corresponding stored application configuration parameter in said database;

updating the selected corresponding stored application configuration parameter in said database, responsive to the receiving;

triggering a daemon to run on the server, wherein the triggering is responsive to the updating the selected corresponding stored application configuration parameter in said database.